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**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS** 

Responsive to the Official Action of August 22, 2007, setting forth the Examiner's

requirement for restriction, Applicants hereby elect the invention of claims 1-11 as currently

claimed. This election is made without traverse. An examination of the elected claims on the

merits is awaited.

By this Response/Amendment, the Abstract is amended to more closely reflect the

elected claims. This amendment is supported in Applicant's specification, for example, at page

25, lines 6-19. In addition, Figures 2 and 14 are amended to correct typographical errors. The

correction to the wording of procedural step shown for flowchart step S101 in Figure 14 is

supported by Applicant's specification at page 25, lines 6-18. These amendments are fully

supported by the original disclosure and, thus, no new matter has been added. If the Examiner

should disagree, however, it is respectfully requested that the challenged limitation be pointed

out with particularity in the next Action so support may be cited in response.

In view of Applicant's foregoing amendments and remarks, it is believed that the

application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration of this application is

respectfully solicited. If any small manner remains outstanding, the Examiner is encouraged to

telephone Applicants' representative at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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